1	Claims		
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3		1.	A foot pedal for use as an automotive brake or clutch operator,
4	comprising:		
5		an elo	ngated lever body comprised of a metal tubular core;
6		a plas	tic overmolded component at least partially enclosing said metal tubular
7	core, said plastic overmolded component including an integrally formed foot pad at one end of		
8	said elongated lever body and a pivot lug at the other end.		
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10		2.	The pedal according to claim 1 wherein said tubular core is constructed of
11	steel.		
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13		3.	The pedal according to claim 1 wherein said overmolded component is
14	molded from a glass filled plastic.		
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16		4.	The pedal according to claim 1 wherein said elongated lever body is
17	curved.		
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19		5.	The pedal according to claim 3 wherein said plastic comprises nylon.
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21		6.	A method of manufacturing an automotive brake pedal comprising the
22	steps of:		

1	forming an elongated lever body from a steel tubular core;			
2	said step of forming an elongated lever body further including the step of			
3	overmolding a plastic component at least partially over said steel tubular core;			
4	said step of overmolding said plastic component further including the step of			
5	molding a foot pad integral therewith at one end of said elongated lever body and a pivot lug at			
6	the other end thereof.			
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8	7. The method according to claim 6 wherein a glass filled plastic is used to			
9	overmold said plastic component.			
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11	8. The method according to claim 6 wherein said step of forming an			
12	elongated lever body further includes the step of forming said tubular core into a curved shape			
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